SAVE THE DATES!

Independent Living Skills for Children and Adults with Vision Loss and or Multi-Disabilities

July 31 – August 1, 2013 Rawlins, WY

Independent Living Skills for children and adults will provide hands-on instruction and rehabilitation training practice (using low vision simulators and blindfolds) in the methods and adaptive techniques used by vision professionals in the following independent living skill areas: (a) cleaning skills and household safety, (b) labeling, (c) money identification, (d) time identification, (e) basic food preparation, (f) telephone skills, and (g) signature and handwriting guides. Classes emphasize the utilization of adaptive techniques and resource gathering, and address skills that are appropriate for children, adolescents, adults, and older adults.

The course will offer lectures, group discussions, small group activities, and direct rehabilitation training practice in the independent living skills listed above.

Low Vision Assessment & Intervention

August 6 – 9, 2013 Casper WY

This course focuses on intervention strategies for enhancing visual functioning of children and adults with low vision. Areas of emphasis include: assessment and instructional strategies for utilizing near, intermediate and distance optical devices, visual efficiency instruction without optical devices, interpretation of environmental cues for distance, depth and orientation, reading with low vision, and specialized topics such as low vision driving, visual field enhancement systems, and overview of vision rehabilitation for individuals with head injuries.

If you are interested in attending either course, please contact Joanne Whitson at 307-324-5333, joanne.whitson@wyo.gov